

## **Alert: New Phishing Scam**

The IRS has learned of a new phishing scam in which taxpayers receive e-mails purporting to be from the Taxpayer Advocate Service and bearing the IRS logo. The e-mail contains a bogus case number and says: “Your reported 2013 income is flagged for review due to a document processing error. Your case has been forwarded to the Taxpayer Advocate Service for resolution assistance. To avoid delays processing your 2013 filing contact the Taxpayer Advocate Service for resolution assistance.”

The email contains a link where the recipient can find contact information for the “advocate” assigned to their case; when the recipient clicks on the link, personal information, such as the recipient’s legal name and contact information, is solicited. There’s also a link to review “your reported income,” that again solicits this kind of personal information.

Please do NOT to click on the link and to forward the e-mail to the IRS’s designated address for suspicious/scam e-mails: [phishing@irs.gov](mailto:phishing@irs.gov).